



My First Books Outcomes

As a result of the My First Books program:

- **Participating children increase their access to books by starting a home library.**
 - *Receive one book each month during program year*
- **More underserved families have library cards and use the public library.**
 - *Family events/parent workshops held at public library*
 - *Access to families through partners*
 - *Some libraries may issue special nonresident cards for free/low cost to participating families*
 - *Suggestions in monthly newsletter, “The Bookworm”*
- **Participating children increase early literacy skills.**
 - *Librarians focus on skills during monthly storytimes*
 - *Librarians provide training/modeling for child care providers*
 - *Children practice early literacy skills with monthly books*
- **Parents of participating children increase their knowledge about early literacy.**
 - *Family event/parent workshop focuses on early literacy skills*
 - *Information and home activities that reinforce early literacy skills through “The Bookworm” (English, Spanish)*
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- **Libraries strengthen community partnerships.**
 - *Collaborative partnership with child care providers, Head Start, preschools, public schools, teen parent programs, etc.*
- **Library staff develop personal relationships with children at partner sites and their families.**
 - *Book distributions and storytimes are conducted face-to-face with children*
 - *Library staff encourage children and families to visit library*